AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

Listing of Claims:

1. (Currently Amended) A method for determining zero coding or run length coding, comprising:

in response to a selected bit to be processed with the \underline{a} clean up pass, executing an instruction to

identify state variables associated with selected coefficient bits to be processed; identify state variables associated with horizontal and vertical neighboring bits of the selected bits to be processed;

determine whether state variables associated with coefficients bits and neighboring bits are zero; and

in response to state variables associated with coefficient bits and neighboring bits being all zero, select run length coding.

- 2. (Original) The method claimed in claim 1, wherein the state variables are significance state variables.
- (Original) The method claimed in claim 1, further comprising:
 in response to at least one state variable associated with coefficient bits and neighboring
 bits being non-zero, select zero coding.
- 4. (Original) The method claimed in claim 1, wherein the state variables correspond to an array of quantized coefficients being scanned.
- 5. (Original) The method claimed in claim 1, further comprising: determine whether state variables associated with coefficients bits and neighboring bits are zero on every four pixels and in every bit plane.
- 6. (Original) The method claimed in claim 1, wherein the instruction is used for JPEG2000.
 - 7. (Original) A system, comprising:

a memory;

a processor to execute an instruction to

identify state variables associated with selected coefficient bits to be processed;

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identify state variables associated with horizontal and vertical neighboring bits of the selected bits to be processed;

determine whether state variables associated with coefficients bits and neighboring bits are zero; and

in response to state variables associated with coefficient bits and neighboring bits being all zero, select run length coding.

- 8. (Original) The system claimed in claim 7, wherein the state variables are significance state variables.
 - 9. (Original) The system claimed in claim 7, further comprising:

in response to at least one state variable associated with coefficient bits and neighboring bits being non-zero, select zero coding.

- 10. (Original) The system claimed in claim 7, wherein the state variables correspond to an array of quantized coefficients being scanned.
- 11. (Original) The system claimed in claim 7, wherein the processor executes instruction compatible with JPEG2000.
- 12. (Currently Amended) The system claimed in claim 7, wherein the state variable is aligned in the <u>a</u> processor's register set.
- 13. (Original) A machine readable medium having stored therein a plurality of machine readable instructions executable by a processor to determine zero coding or run length coding, comprising:

instructions to identify state variables associated with selected coefficient bits to be processed;

instructions to identify state variables associated with horizontal and vertical neighboring bits of the selected bits to be processed;

instructions to determine whether state variables associated with coefficients bits and neighboring bits are zero; and

in response to state variables associated with coefficient bits and neighboring bits being all zero, instructions to select run length coding.

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- 14. (Original) The machine readable medium claimed in claim 13, wherein the state variables are significance state variables.
- 15. (Original) The machine readable medium claimed in claim 13, further comprising:

in response to at least one state variable associated with coefficient bits and neighboring bits being non-zero, instructions to select zero coding.

- 16. (Original) The machine readable medium claimed in claim 13, wherein the state variables correspond to an array of quantized coefficients being scanned.
- 17. (Original) The machine readable medium claimed in claim 13, further comprising: instructions to determine whether state variables associated with coefficients bits and neighboring bits are zero on every four pixels and in every bit plane.
- 18. (Original) The machine readable medium in claim 13, wherein the instruction is used for JPEG2000.